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All in the numbers

Canucks still in the driver's seat: SFU statistician • Odds of winning hinge on Game 5

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▶ Henrik Sedin falls over Bruins defenceman Zdeno Chara in the first period during Game 4 in Boston on Wednesday.

Canucks fans may be disillusioned after a brutal road trip to Boston, but the odds still stack up in Vancouver's favour.

Simon Fraser University's Tim Swartz has been collecting playoff data from sportsbook oddsmakers for both the National Hockey League and National Basketball Association and says fans can hold their heads up high.

"The Canucks still have a 63 per cent chance of winning (the Stanley Cup)," the statistics and actuarial science professor said.

Historical betting odds — six years' worth from the NHL and nine from the NBA — allow Swartz to assess the psychological impact on teams in a series.

As you'd imagine, Game 5 will be pivotal for both teams.

If the Canucks win on home ice, their chances of capturing Lord Stanley's cup will be 82 per cent.

If they lose, it'll be a mere 32 per cent.

Luckily, putting the last two games behind them shouldn't be too difficult for the Canucks.

Swartz has discovered that NHL teams are less likely to let the previous outcome affect their performance, compared to the NBA.

One factor that may be overplayed, though, is home-ice advantage.

In the NBA, 61 per cent of home teams win a given game.

Just 54.5 per cent of home teams win during the NHL playoffs.

"There's still an advantage, but not as big as it is in the NBA," said Swartz.

Vancouver hosts Game 5 Friday at 5 p.m., with the Stanley Cup final now tied 2-2.

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A cheeky pick-me-up

Canucks fans in desperate need of stress relief found their outlet on Twitter Thursday.

Metro reporter Matt Kieltyka started the tongue-in-cheek #CanucksPickUpLines hashtag not knowing it would prove, once more, that laughter really is the best medicine.

Here are some of our favourite tweets:

- Wanna grab a bite? **@MKieltyka**
- @MKieltyka "Pull me anytime." **@AndreaWoo**
- Malholtra: "I only have eye for you" (I only say knowing he's back and healthy) **@MKieltyka**
- My green suit leaves nothing to the imagination... **@hodgeepodgee**
- Can I get you a tam-Bellini? **@SasamatSt**
- I'm a 40 year old virgin **@Headtothenet**
- "I'm Kevin Bieksa" **@SSDated**
- Wanna drive my Zamboni? **@robbie_parker**
- I could never say Vigneault to you. **@_amanbains**
- "We go in as a team, we come out as a team." **@thisispresh**
- I promise....No soft dumps in the corner #CanucksPickUpLines **@JavySouthside**

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A fan watches TV coverage of the Vancouver Canucks in downtown Vancouver on Wednesday.

Hope still lingers for Vancouver Canucks

Blowouts in games 3 and 4 have taken their toll on fans

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Despite back-to-back maulings at the paws of the Bruins, Canuck fans are still hopeful their team can rally and bring home the cup.

"They aren't out until they are out and they have already come this far," said Connor Robertson, 23, on a dreary Thursday where the weather seemed to mirror the city's mood.

"We can't forget that they have already won two games against Boston and they can win two more."

But the blowouts have taken their toll on some Canucks faithful.

"I felt hopeless watching the last two games, said Chanelle Jen, 24. "But every game is another chance and I do not feel hopeless about the Canucks winning the cup."

Others, however, are not as optimistic.

"I am big fan of the Canucks," said Mike Spencer, 25, "my heart says yes but my head and my gut says no."

Arthur Trojanco, 23, said the Canucks need to rethink their game plan and come out harder in Friday's game.

"I think that game will tell all," he said.

Name change

- The provincial government announced Thursday that the municipality of Boston Bar will now be known as Vancouver Bar until June 30.
- "We want to show our enthusiasm and give the home team a boost.... Boston Bar's name may cause some confusion about where our loyalties lie," said Chilliwack-Hope MLA Barry Penner. "So, like Aaron Rome, the old name is suspended for the rest of the series."

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▶ Premier Christy Clark speaks at the Chief Joe Mathias Centre on Thursday.

Aboriginal youth need opportunities, Premier says

- Clark to explore aboriginal investment council
- NDP Leader Dix calls for treaty-process improvement

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Premier Christy Clark vowed to work toward creating new economic opportunities for aboriginal youth at the province's annual First Nations Summit Meeting Thursday in North Vancouver.

"We have come a long way, but we have a long, long way to go," Clark told delegates at the meeting. "Poor health, poor education, poor economic conditions and (poor) outcomes amongst First Nations are an indictment of our failure to go far enough."

Clark emphasized that business and economic activity should be a central part of provincial First Nations policy.

"I intend to explore setting up an aboriginal investment council," she announced. "It will provide venture capital to assist aboriginal groups, particularly young people, in capitalizing on their business and investment opportunities.... First Nations youth are poised to play a major role in shaping the future of British Columbia."

Later in the day, B.C. NDP Leader Adrian Dix addressed the summit, emphasizing the need to improve the treaty-negotiation process.

"It's time that we gave the treaty commission more teeth and more resources," he said, adding that "the first day I'm elected as premier, when I get an opportunity to talk to the prime minister, my first priority ... will be to speak to the prime minister about getting involved in putting adequate resources in the treaty process."

HST support rising, but still not by enough: Poll

MATT KIELTKYA/METRO FILE

▶ Adrian Dix

Premier Christy Clark and NDP Leader Adrian Dix traded blows over the upcoming HST referendum Thursday in response to a new Angus Reid poll showing 44 per cent support for the taxation scheme amongst decided voters.

"The gap is closing, and I think perhaps some of the change that we've announced ... is making a difference," said Clark.

"Because I care about the $1.6 billion that Adrian Dix wants to send back to Ottawa, and because I care about making sure people pay lower taxes at 10 per cent tax versus a 12 per cent tax, I hope that the improved HST passes," she added.

Dix attacked the government's credibility on the issue.

"The B.C. Liberal Party said just before the election that they wouldn't put in an HST, then they did. They said that it would be revenue-neutral, then it wasn't," said Dix.

"Nothing of the significant things they've said about the HST have been true ... so it's hard to imagine that what (Premier Clark) has to say has much credibility."

Clark also dismissed concerns that the referendum question, in which a yes vote will support abolishing the harmonized tax, was confusing.

"I didn't write the question, and I'm not going to monkey with it, either," she said.

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City to use legal action against landlords

The City of Vancouver says it will use legal action to force slum landlords to make repairs to their buildings.

The city will use injunctions to force the landlords to fix their buildings in an effort to protect both the residents and the stock of affordable housing.

Recent inspections by city staff of two buildings in Vancouver found extensive safety and building violations, including missing smoke alarms, broken ladders, blocked safety exits, pest infestations and leaky roofs. THE CANADIAN PRESS

YouTube video leads to school suspensions

A YouTube video of three Kamloops girls fighting has resulted in suspensions and a promise from school district officials that more will be disciplined.

School district Supt. Terry Sullivan says beyond the suspensions of the three girls who fought, officials will deal with anybody who posted the video.

Tuesday's fight involved students from South Kamloops secondary and Thompson Rivers Education Centre, and attracted students from several schools, some of whom shot the event on their cellphones.

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Chilliwack shooting related to drugs: Cops

RCMP say a shooting that wounded two men in Chilliwack Wednesday night was related to the drug trade.

The 36- and 49-year-old men were in a car when they were shot.

One of them made his way to a nearby hospital while the other was located by police in another area.

Mounties say the men — who are well known to police — are expected to recover fully from their wounds but haven't been co-operating with police and no arrests have been made.

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▶ Adrian Holmes plays Gary Oldman's right-hand man in a dark remake of the children's tale Red Riding Hood.

HOLMES NOT AFRAID OF GARY OLDMAN'S BIG, BAD GOATEE

In anticipation of the Blu-ray release of Red Riding Hood on June 14, Metro sat down with local actor Adrian Holmes, who hunts werewolves alongside stars Amanda Seyfried (Mamma Mia) and Gary Oldman (the Harry Potter series).

What was it like working on Red Riding Hood?
It was a lot of fun. I was always a huge Gary Oldman fan, so to work with him was the highlight of the whole experience.

What's Gary Oldman like?
He's got a very good sense of humour. He had this goatee that was glued on, so he couldn't really laugh. So whenever he was laughing he had to hold his goatee down, and that looked even more funny.

How was it working with Twilight director Catherine Hardwicke?
She's a firecracker, in the sense of energy. She really knows how to get that same energy out of actors, so you kind of want to give her your all.

What are some of the challenges you've faced in your acting career?
The rejection you're going to get. You're not going to get a lot of projects that you want based on type.... I try not to let that get the best of me. ● JULIA DILWORTH

UFC 131 takes a hit in fight for viewers

- Tickets to the anticipated UFC 131 still available through Ticketmaster
- Long Canucks run, recession blamed for less-than-stellar pre-sale

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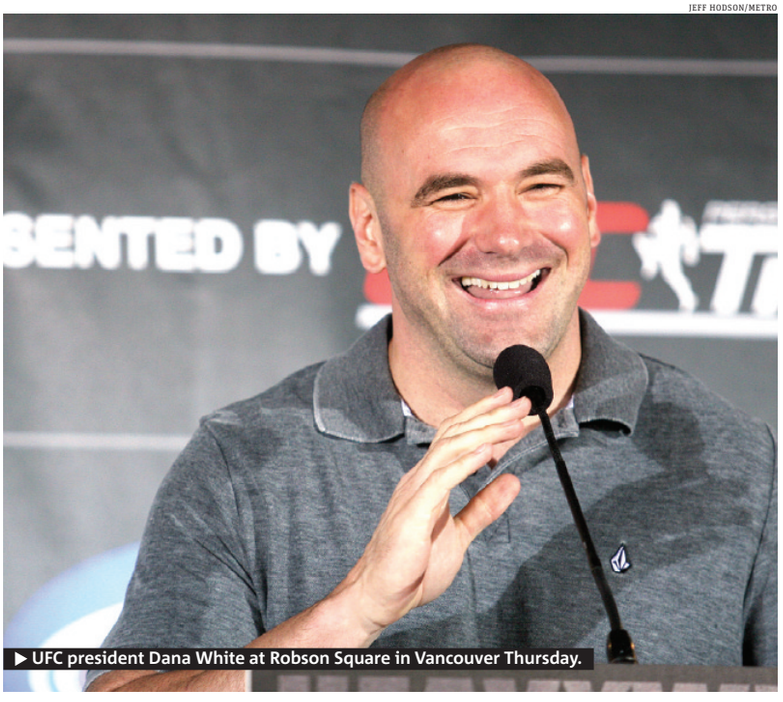

▶ UFC president Dana White at Robson Square in Vancouver Thursday.

UFC president Dana White isn't sure whether or not he'll attend Friday's Game 5 between the Canucks and Bruins.

"I'm thinking about it," White admitted Thursday at the opening press conference for UFC 131. "But I don't want to get killed."

White, 41, who grew up in Boston, said he plans to be impartial during the Stanley Cup final and will do his best not to anger Canucks faithful.

"I've got a big mouth and I talk a lot of smack, but I'm not messing with this whole hockey thing. It's like religion to you guys."

The UFC has followed major events before, White added, but never one that had meant so much to a city.

UFC's most recent foray to Vancouver, which runs Saturday night at Rogers Arena, did not see the same frenzied 30-minute sellout that welcomed UFC 115 to the city last summer.

"Next time I go into Toronto, I'm not expecting to sell 56,000 tickets."
UFC PRESIDENT DANA WHITE ON THE EXPECTED DROP IN TICKET SALES AFTER A FIRST BIG SHOW

Tom Wright, president of UFC Canada, said the deep Canucks run undoubtedly took a significant amount of discretionary money out of the entertainment market.

He said UFC 131, which boasts a heavyweight tilt between Junior dos Santos and Shane Carwin, still has between 500 to 1,000 tickets to sell in each price category. He said he expects 14,000 to 15,000 fans will take in the event Saturday night.

White, however, said he was happy with the gate and pledged that the UFC would return to Vancouver again in the future.

Canuck rink

Kenny Florian, a Bostonian who takes on Brazilian Diego Nunes in a featherweight UFC match, didn't pull punches on which team he was supporting.

▶ "Go Bruins," said Florian to a chorus of boos.

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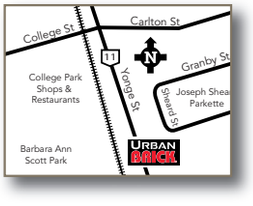

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AG blasts Tories over G8 secrecy

Auditors couldn't find documents about how projects were chosen for funding Public servants had no input

ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

▶ Media follow Tony Clement, president of the Treasury Board and minister for the Federal Economic Development Initiative for Northern Ontario, as he leaves a news conference after commenting on the auditor general's report Thursday in Ottawa.

The wording has been softened but the auditor general's verdict remains much the same: The Harper government kept Parliament in the dark about a $50-million G8 fund that sprayed money on dubious projects in a cabinet minister's riding.

The final report on the G8 legacy infrastructure fund concludes that the government "did not clearly or transparently" identify how the money was going to be spent when it sought parliamentary approval for the funding.

Moreover, the report criticizes the unprecedented lack of documentation to explain how and why 32 infrastructure projects in the Parry Sound-Muskoka region were selected to get the government largesse.

"It is very unusual and troubling. There is no paper trail behind the selection of the 32 projects."

INTERIM AUDITOR GENERAL JOHN WIERSEMA

In a separate chapter of the report, the auditor general says spending on operations and security for both the G8 and G20 meetings in Ontario was presented piecemeal to Parliament instead of in a package, leaving MPs poorly informed about total costs.

But in one bright spot, the report says it seems the initially budgeted $1.1 billion for the summits will actually come in around $664 million because poor planning forced departments to create contingency funds that were not needed.

The final report does not contain the inflammatory language used in a January draft by former auditor general Sheila Fraser, which baldly asserted the government had "misinformed" Parliament.

The report details how, in November 2009, the government tabled supplementary estimates in which it asked Parliament to approve $83 million for a border infrastructure fund aimed at reducing congestion at border crossings.

Parliament was not told that $50 million of that money was to be devoted to infrastructure projects hundreds of kilometres from the Canada-U.S. border — in Tory MP Tony Clement's riding.

Wiersema said the word "misinformed" was excised in the report's final version because auditors saw no evidence to suggest the government was deliberately trying to mislead Parliament. Rather, he said, the misrepresentation in the estimates appeared to have been done "for matters of expediency."

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Homeless man loses battle against cancer

- Brother was at his side, after 33 years apart
- Terry Pettigrew lived at Calgary's Drop-In Centre for four years

A homeless Calgary man who became a minor celebrity when he asked to go to Mardi Gras after being diagnosed with cancer has died.

Terry Pettigrew became too sick and never actually went on the trip, despite having someone offer to pay for his fare. The media attention, however, led to a reunion with his long-lost brother. In the weeks leading up to his death, the pain resulted in Pettigrew being unable to walk and he was moved to a hospice on May 13.

"It was a sad day. I was the one that had to take him up in the cab," said Christa Bistretzan, a medical service assistant and close friend of Pettigrew's. "He was full of emotion because that was the first step towards death." With his older brother Larry at his bedside, Pettigrew died of Stage 3 squamous cancer on the morning of May 31. He was 58. KATIE TURNER

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TALES OF REVOLT

Fleeing Syrians tell all

Syrian policemen turned their guns on each other, soldiers shed their uniforms rather than fire on protesters, and three young men were beheaded by forces loyal to President Bashar Assad.

As more than 2,400 Syrians streamed across the open Turkish borders on Thursday, they told the first accounts of a week of revolt, mutiny and mayhem in Jisra al-Shughour.

Even safe in Turkish camps, the Syrians said they feared the authoritarian government.

The struggle over Jisr al-Shughour and the surrounding Idlib province is a critical test for the 40-year Assad regime.

Syrian activists say more than 1,300 people have died, most of them unarmed civilians; a government spokeswoman countered that 500 security forces had died.

The UN has accused Syria of trying to "bludgeon its population into submission" by attacking protesters.

Activists say more than 10,000 people have been detained since March. The Syrian government has blamed the violence on gunmen and religious militants.

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"It is virtually a ghost town now. Almost everyone fled mostly toward nearby villages, but many more are prepared to cross into Turkey if Assad's forces start hunting them."

RAMI, 22-YEAR-OLD UNIVERSITY STUDENT AT JISR AL-SHUGHOUR

NATO strikes again

Despite inability to oust Gadhafi, preparations are made for new era in Libya ◐ Donors pledge $1.3 billion US to support main opposition group

NATO airstrikes rattled the Libyan capital Thursday with clusters of bombing runs believed to have targeted the outskirts of Tripoli.

At first, the intensity of the attacks suggested a return to the heavy NATO bombardment that hit a military installation on Tuesday and flattened buildings in leader Moammar Gadhafi's compound.

By Thursday night, a total of 14 air attacks had been carried out, considerably less than Tuesday.

The strikes are in support of a four-month-old rebel uprising that seeks to push Gadhafi from power after four decades. Rebels have taken control of swaths of eastern Libya, although fighting has since become a stalemate even with NATO support.

Gadhafi shows no signs of ceding power, despite repeated attacks.

But the chief of the U.S. CIA, Leon Panetta, said Thursday that the NATO military operation, strong economic sanctions and enforcement of the no-fly zone are putting tremendous pressure on Gadhafi.

U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton also said that there are "numerous and continuing" overtures by people close to Gadhafi to negotiate his departure from power.

But on Wednesday Gadhafi forces renewed their shelling near the western city of Misrata, killing 10 rebel fighters.

NATO secretary general Anders Fogh Rasmussen said: "It is an example that the Gadhafi regime still constitutes a threat to the civilian population. We will stay committed as long as necessary."

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▶ Foreign journalists gather outside Rixos hotel as a plume of smoke rises into the sky in Tripoli, Libya, on Thursday.

Defections

- Media in neighbouring Tunisia reported more defections Thursday from Gadhafi's military, including a general and 10 ranking officers who they said crossed into the country this week.

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Top Canuck talent to greet the royals

Wills, Kate will enjoy coast-to-coast entertainment on Canada Day • Parliament Hill message: 'We're proud'

Prince William and his new bride will be entertained by a coast-to-coast roster of Canadian talent on Canada Day.

Performers for the royal couple on Parliament Hill include the Newfoundland band Great Big Sea, Quebec's Sam Roberts Band and Winnipeg's Maria Aragon.

Ten-year-old Aragon gained fans around the world after a video of her performing a Lady Gaga song was posted on YouTube.

She has since played with Lady Gaga herself, as well as with Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

Other featured artists at the noontime show include Dan Mangan from B.C., Elisapie Issac from Nunavut and folk singer Jenn Grant from P.E.I.

85
There are an estimated 85 international media travelling to Canada to cover Prince William and Catherine's trip.

Altogether, there are more than 105 acts performing for Canada's 144 birthday, which is also being billed a celebration of the centennial of Parks Canada and the 120th anniversary of the Canadian invention of basketball.

Exposure provided by the royal guests drove the show's producers to put on the biggest spectacle they could, said Marie Lemay, the chief executive officer of the National Capital Commission, which is overseeing the show.

"It's a time for Canadians to show the world how proud we are," Lemay said.

The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, as they are now known, arrive in Canada June 30 for an eight-day visit.

It's their first official tour since their April wedding.

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▶ Prince William and Kate arrive at a London gala dinner, where tickets reportedly cost $16,400 per head.

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Definitely a royal debut

Prince William and his new wife attended their first official engagement as a married couple Thursday. The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, as they are officially known, were guests of honour at a charity gala dinner at Kensington Palace.

Canada Post says talks have stalled

Canada Post said Thursday contract talks have stalled, but the union says it's eager to negotiate.

Meanwhile, rotating strikes continued.

The Canadian Union of Postal Workers had asked to meet with the employer to present a response to the Crown corporation's latest contract proposals.

Canada Post has said the strikes have had a disastrous effect on customer confidence.

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Rotating strikes took place Thursday in 13 smaller cities, including Vernon, B.C., Flin Flon, Man., and Yellowknife, N.W.T.

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Sentence in honour killing

Couple shot and buried by family
In May, India's top court called the practice barbaric and feudal

The father and brother of a 20-year-old Indian woman have been sentenced to death for killing her and her husband for marrying within the same Hindu clan, police said Thursday.

Eight other family members also were given the death penalty Wednesday for the killings three years ago in the northern Uttar Pradesh state, said Brij Lal, a top police officer. The defendants can appeal to a higher court.

Judge Rajendra Babu Singh said the punishments should serve as a lesson to those who kill in the name of family honour. India's top court recommended the death penalty for perpetrators of honour killings.

900 A study found that around 900 people are killed each year in India for defying their elders. Most victims are young adults who fell in love or married against their families' wishes. In some cases, village councils ordered couples killed who married inside their clan or outside their caste.

The 10 defendants were convicted of killing Vijaya and Udaipal Singh. Vijaya Singh's parents opposed the marriage but she defied them by eloping and getting married in a Hindu temple. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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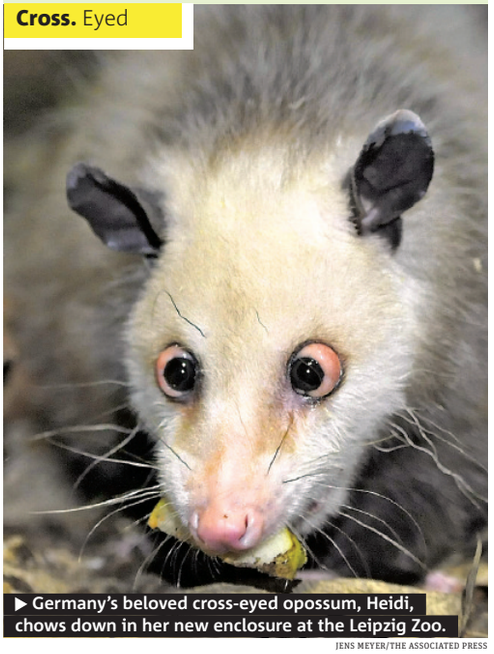

▶ Germany's beloved cross-eyed opossum, Heidi, chows down in her new enclosure at the Leipzig Zoo.

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Eyes out for opossum

Heidi, the cross-eyed opossum, will be on display in the nocturnal-animal section at the Gondwanaland tropical experience world in Germany from July.

Face veil ban upheld in Spain

A Spanish court has upheld a ban by a city on face-covering Islamic veils worn in municipal buildings.

In 2010, the city of Lleida became the first Spanish one to impose such a ban. But the Catalan Regional Superior Justice Tribunal suspended it following an appeal by a Muslim association that claimed it violated basic rights.

The court ruled Wednesday that the northeastern city was within its rights to ban the clothing in municipal buildings for security and identification purposes. It also backed Lleida's argument that the veils are discriminatory.

Other Spanish towns have taken similar steps but their burqa bans have yet to take effect.

Lleida's one is largely symbolic since only about three per cent of Lleida's population is Muslim and very few wear face-covering garments THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Henchmen's leather coat to return

The long black leather coats that struck fear into Soviet citizens as part of the dress code for Stalin's secret police appear to be making a comeback. The security forces who guard President Dmitry Medvedev and Prime Minister Vladimir Putin are holding a $108,000 US state tender for 60 such coats and 60 shorter jackets. Stalin's secret police carried out the repression and purges of the 1930s. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Renamed highway to honour war dead

British Columbia now has its very own "Highway of Heroes" after the provincial government renamed a stretch of the Trans-Canada to honour 13 soldiers from the province who have died in Afghanistan.

A dedication ceremony was held Thursday to officially rename a section of highway between Langley and Abbotsford, and a large sign measuring five and a half metres wide will be unveiled on Saturday.

The designation came after a request from Honour House, a non-profit facility opening later this month, offering soldiers and first responders, along with their families, a place to stay while receiving medical treatment in Vancouver.

"When people drive by and look at that sign, it just sends you a very good message of how fortunate we are to have these men and women there every day and how sad it was that we lost 13 Canadian Forces members in B.C.," said Allan De Genova of Honour House in an interview Thursday.

It's the second such designation in Canada. In 2007, the Ontario government attached the "Highway of Heroes" name to the roadway that soldiers killed in action in Afghanistan travel between Canadian Forces Base Trenton and Toronto.

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Family with autistic boy won't be deported: Source

Immigration Minister Jason Kenney will rescind a deportation order for a South Korean family at the centre of a growing public protest in New Brunswick now that the province has confirmed it will cover health costs associated with the family's autistic son, a federal source confirmed Thursday.

The Maeng family's story attracted national attention after federal officials said the family had to leave Canada by June 30 because providing health care and social services for 14-year-old Sung-Joo would put too much strain on the system.

On Wednesday, the New Brunswick government responded to growing public outrage by handing a private letter to the Moncton family confirming the province will cover the costs.

Sung-Joo's mother, Hee-Eun Jang, said she was elated with the decision.

"I feel good, awesome, very good," she said in an interview from the family's grocery store. She said the support the family received from across Canada was "unbelievable."

An online petition supporting the family's wish to stay in Canada had attracted 7,000 signatures, and a protest rally was scheduled for Sunday in Moncton.

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▶ The Portage Diversion, which in the past few days was operating at capacity, will now again be operating above capacity — and may end up operating at twice its designed flow rate.

Manitoba braces for more flooding

New storm system heading into the soggy province this weekend ◐ Dikes may fail, minister warns

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Manitoba's 1997 Flood of the Century may pale in comparison to the 2011 Flood of the Half-Millenium.

While flooding on the Red River was minimal this year — meaning Winnipeggers barely recognize the extent of the disaster happening in their province — outside Winnipeg the flood situation on the Assiniboine River is becoming grim again.

A rain system heading into the province this weekend will again dump massive amounts of precipitation on already oversaturated farmland, said Emergency Measures Minister Steve Ashton on Thursday. It's the fifth major storm system in the past few weeks.

"The flood on the Assiniboine River at Portage la Prairie is a one-in-350-year event."
STEVE ASHTON, EMERGENCY MEASURES MINISTER

Ashton warned the dikes may not be able to handle the flow of new water.

Work has started once again to reinforce the dikes along the Assiniboine, said Ashton, and the Portage Diversion will again be operating more than double its normal capacity.

Homes in Portage la Prairie that were evacuated last month are being evacuated again.

The Assiniboine and Souris river basins have received up to 300 per cent more rain than normal, officials said. That has pushed water levels well above normal and exacerbated flooding.

When the Assiniboine was rising several weeks ago, the province decided to deliberately cut into a dike and intentionally flood farmland near Portage la Prairie. The intentional flood was intended to prevent a much larger natural flood downstream.

The controlled release prompted frantic sandbagging because it was expected to surround about 150 homes and flood over 200 square kilometres.

But less than 3.5 square kilometres was covered by any water at all before the dike was sealed a week later, when river levels started to recede.

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Microsoft to pay millions to T.O. firm

Seattle company now sells versions of Word without disputed technology Landmark case in patent law

Canadian software company i4i Inc. has emerged the victor in a patent battle with tech super-heavyweight Microsoft after the U.S. Supreme Court upheld a judgment that i4i be paid $290 million US for patent infringement.

The high court on Thursday refused to throw out an earlier ruling that found the world's largest software maker wilfully infringed on a patent in its Microsoft Word software and ordered it to pay $290 million to i4i and to stop selling versions containing the infringing technology.

The landmark decision has broad implications for the patent world as it essentially upholds the basis for many years of U.S. patent decisions.

"It's one of the most important business cases the U.S. Supreme Court has decided in decades," said i4i chairman Louden Owen.

"Microsoft's appeal and, along with their gang of supporters who decided they would file on their behalf, were taking great strides to try to throw a lot of uncertainty into the system," he said from Toronto.

"The unanimous decision has very clearly confirmed the current state of the law and it has added a great deal of certainty to the business community," Owen said of upholding patents.

Microsoft wanted the judgment against it erased because it claimed a judge used the wrong standard in instructing the jury that came up with the award. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Patent battles

- Toronto-based i4i sued Microsoft in 2007, saying it owned the technology behind a tool used in Microsoft Word.
- The technology in question gave Word 2003 and Word 2007 users an improved way to edit XML, which is a code that tells the program how to interpret and display a document's contents.

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▶ In this product image provided by Ford, the C-MAX Hybrid, a next-generation full-hybrid version of the five-passenger multi-activity vehicle, is shown.

Meet Ford's van with a hybrid plan

Ford is making a minivan that will become its first U.S. vehicle sold only as a hybrid.

Ford sells hybrid versions of some gas-powered cars, but it's got nothing like the Toyota Prius, which is only sold as a hybrid.

Ford's minivan is based on a five-passenger van, the C-Max, which is already sold in Europe but runs on gasoline.

Ford had planned to introduce a seven-passenger, gas-powered C-Max in the U.S. next year. But it's scrapping that so it can build more hybrid-only C-Maxes. The van goes on sale next year.

The minivan will get more than 17.4 kilometres per litre. A plug-in version will also be sold. It will be similar to the Chevrolet Volt, which can drive in all-electric mode but has a backup gas engine.

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Ads up on TV online

One of the rewards of watching TV online is not having to sit through as many commercials. Now the networks are chipping away at that little luxury.

CBS shows twice as many ads per show on its website as it did last year. The CW network shows four times as many. Dozens of shows from major cable networks now carry as many ads online as they do on TV.

The online audience is still small compared with television, but it's growing. Networks hope that by showing more ads, they can make about as much money as they do on the tube.

It's a change from the early days of online video. When ABC started putting full episodes of its shows online in 2006, fans could zip through the hour-long dramas in about 45 minutes. One short ad played a few times per show.

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▶ Disgruntled Air Canada workers hold a rally at Pearson Airport in Toronto on Thursday. Hundreds of workers and labour-rights activists rallied a day before one of Air Canada's unions could serve notice of a strike.

Air Canada staff threaten to walk

CAW will negotiate with Air Canada until the last minute Bargaining has been going on for 10 weeks

Air Canada customer-service and sales staff are threatening to walk off the job Monday night if the airline doesn't budge on key concessions.

Hundreds of workers and labour-rights activists rallied at Toronto's Pearson International Airport on Thursday, a day before one of Air Canada's unions could serve notice of a strike.

Disgruntled workers brandished placards outside the domestic departures section of Terminal 1, chanting for the airline to give them "a fair deal."

"This company is now on its feet and profitable and there is no reason why we should be giving any more concessions, especially touching our pensions," said sales agent Lucinda Fernan.

A proposal to change pension plans for new hires is a key issue at the bargaining table with slow progress thus far, according to CAW president Ken Lewenza. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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CAW, which represents 3,800 Air Canada customer-service and airport workers, could serve 72 hours notice on Friday for a strike beginning at midnight June 13.

ALLEGED TAX SCAM

Offices raided in Quebec

Investigators have swooped in on a network of people and companies allegedly involved in a gold-refining scam that bilked the Quebec and federal treasuries.

Revenue Quebec agents are probing sales of $1.8 billion by the network, with alleged provincial sales-tax evasion in excess of $150 million. The agency is also investigating evasion of the federal GST on the same sales.

Residences, offices, accountants and bankruptcy trustees were slapped with search warrants as more than 175 Revenue Quebec agents staged raids in the Montreal area on Thursday.

The revenue agency says the network allegedly used a system of repetitive and false billing in the transactions involving more than 100 companies.

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Exports down, deficit up

There are more signs that Canada's economy is slowing, as exports buckle under the strain of a strong dollar and soft global demand.

Statistics Canada reported Thursday a trade deficit in March — not a surplus as reported — and a bigger deficit in April. It was primarily due to a 1.9 per cent plunge in exports.

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HOTDOG POLITICIAN GETS GRILLED

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1 Weinergate. After a failed coverup, married New York congressman Anthony Weiner finally admitted to sexting exchanges with six women, including a tweet photo sent to one of him in bulging underpants. He hasn't tweeted @RepWeiner in a week, playing it safe as "Weinergate" keeps getting bigger and bigger.

2 Green Men. The popularity — and brand — of these two super fans is growing during Vancouver's Stanley Cup run. "Green Men" merchandise at greenmengear.com, 163,000 fans on Facebook, 30,000 followers on Twitter @thegreenmen — who would have thunk lime green suits could be so cool.

"Lesson learned: Teen house parties pre-FB were much tamer. And, in retrospect, much preferable to parents."

3 Star Wars or Star Trek? A new paperback compendium called Star Wars vs. Star Trek: Could The Empire Kick The Federation's Ass? purports to quell the decades-long debate of which is better. Didn't know there was a debate: A lightsaber could deflect a beam from a phaser any day.

4 Bobcaygeon in Bobcaygeon. The Tragically Hip play Bobcaygeon, Ont., June 25 on a 175-acre waterfront site as part of Big Music Fest. Let's see: The Hip singing its hit Bobcaygeon in Bobcaygeon to thousands of fans drinking Canadian beer in cottage country. Yep, couldn't get much more Canadian than that, eh?

5 Tina Fey is Sarah Palin on Fox. Oops — during a segment on Sarah Palin, Fox News meant to use a pic of Palin but instead displayed one of Tina Fey doing an old SNL impersonation of Palin. Either this was a huge blunder or a prank from a Democrat graphics department intern gone wild on their last day.

6 Private Facebook party very public. A German teen forgot to set her Facebook "event" 16th birthday party to private. The invite went viral and 1,500 partygoers showed up outside her house. Lesson learned: Teen house parties pre-FB were much tamer. And, in retrospect, much preferable to parents.

7 Winnipeg. Retro Winnipeg Jets tees and merch are coming out of the woodwork across the country now that Winnipeg has an NHL franchise again. Now if only they would decide on a name ... gotta be the Jets again! And to go more retro, can we bring back the Quebec Nordiques?

8 Thriller jacket. The iconic red and black jacket MJ wore in his Thriller video is being auctioned off in a couple weeks at a gallery in Beverly Hills, Calif., and is expected to fetch about $200,000 US. Great piece of pop culture history. Metro readers, let's pool our money and put in our best bid.

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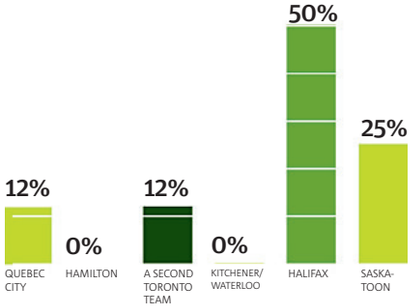
With Winnipeg getting an NHL team, which Canadian city should the NHL look at next?



Local tweets

- **@pivotlegal:** Anyone looking for a Canucks-free evening tomorrow should head to the Rhizome Cafe for an @hopeinshadows event at 6:30! #vancouver
- **@andreareimer:** Want to shape the development of #Vancouver Plaza of Nations site? Check out @cityofvancouver open houses June 9, 11, 12. http://ow.ly/5cKbd
- **@_amanbains:** I'm not superstitious. But since Christy lit the torch, the #Canucks have had 12 goals against. #justsayin
- **@minesalkin:** I'm tired of waking up to find the #Canucks have been humiliated again. Come on!!!! #2011stanleycup
- **@bodhijones:** Twas a good day at the office today. Now I'm basically killin time till tomorrow's #Canucks game. tick tock, tick tock, tick tock, Hurry up!!
- **@SandiHeal:** Yep, I typed "Stanley Cup Finals" into @foursquare and the top result was @PinkSugarCup. Awesome! I wonder if they have #Canucks cupcakes?
- **@Nicawho:** The #Canucks will rise again. We aren't called the best for no reason.

Worth mentioning

NEW YORK. After pressure from four U.S. senators, Apple Inc. has said it will start rejecting iPhone applications that tip drivers off about police checkpoints for drunken driving.

Apple updated its app developer guidelines Wednesday to exclude such apps. On Thursday, some DUI apps were still available in the App Store, but Apple usually gives developers a chance to update their apps so they can conform to the new guidelines before booting them.

The apps often combine warnings about DUI checkpoints with warnings about speed traps and red-light cameras. Users of the applications help create the warnings by registering the locations.

An Apple spokesman had no comment on the change in the guidelines and wouldn't say why the change was made.

The four senators asked Apple, Research In Motion Ltd., the maker of the BlackBerry, and Google Inc. to remove DUI-avoidance apps in March.

RIM complied, but Google refused.

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WEIRD NEWS

The true definition of an inside job

A man was arrested in Spain after curling himself up inside a large suitcase that was placed in an airport bus cargo bay and sneaking out to steal from other people's luggage, police said Thursday.

The man arrested last week was five-foot-10 and very thin, a police official in the northeastern Catalonia region said. An accomplice was also arrested.

The accomplice would place the contortionist thief inside the cargo bay of a bus running from the airport in the city of Girona south to Barcelona, board the bus and then retrieve him at the end of the line.

During the 100-kilometre ride, the man would slip out of the suitcase and use a sharp object to pick locks or open zippers to get into other people's luggage, police said.

He stole objects including cellphones, laptops and GPS devices and would place them in a smaller bag he brought with him. The thief would then get back into the larger suitcase and when the bus reached its destination, the accomplice would retrieve both pieces of luggage.

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A You won't be able to borrow money for any significant purchase unless you have a good credit history — and chances are, your credit history back home won't be factored in. So let's look at your options here in Canada.

First, a little background: Your credit history is a list of facts gathered from financial institutions, retailers and other lenders — the evidence, really, of how you handled credit in the past. Canada's central credit bureaus keep track of how Canadians borrow and repay money, then create a credit score for borrowers. Your good credit score is proof to other potential lenders that you pay your bills, and pay them on time. So how do you earn one?

"One great way is with a credit card," says Melissa Jarman, Product Manager, Cards and Payment Solutions at RBC. "They're essential for certain purchases, like renting a car or shopping online. They're also a convenient — and safe — way to pay for things without carrying around large sums of cash. Even if you already have a credit card from another country, it's a good idea to get a Canadian one too."

An instalment loan is another way to build your credit history. "Instalment loans help you develop good cashflow management and budgeting habits," says Lee Arruda, Product Manager, Personal Lending Products at RBC.

"You pay the same amount every month until your loan is covered. At the same time, you're proving you're responsible and organized with your money."

Obviously, it's important to make your credit card and loan payments on time. If you can't make your full credit card payment, at least pay the minimum — it's much better than missing a payment altogether.

Resources are available to help you learn more. Some of your questions may be answered by contacting Citizenship and Immigration Canada (www.cic.gc.ca). You can also seek out advice from organizations in your own province, such as the B.C. government's "Ask the Expert" service, part of WelcomeBC.ca, or Ontario's Settlement.org. Immigration et Communautés culturelles Québec, part of the Quebec government, deals with a range of immigration-related financial matters that may impact your ability to build a good credit history. And don't forget to talk to your banker. He or she is in the business of helping you succeed, and a good credit history is key to making that happen.

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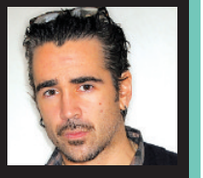

The MuchMusic Video Awards has announced a smoking addition to this year's lineup: Grammy-nominated rapper Snoop Dogg. Golden Globe-winning actor Colin Farrell has also been announced as a presenter, along with Kat Graham of Vampire Diaries and Cassie Scerbo of Make It or Break It.
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Hollywood's Legendary Entertainment, China's Huayi Brothers strike co-production deal. Scan code for story.

Plot synopsis

- Welcome to the no-spoiler zone! Here's what we can tell you about Super 8: The action in this movie begins with six Lillian, Ohio kids shooting an amateur zombie movie. As their super 8 film rolls they witness a terrifying real-life train derailment. Soon strange things start happening in town as the army tries their best to contain the situation.
- **Ratings:**
  Richard: ⊕⊕⊕⊕
  Mark: ⊕⊕⊕½

▶ Super 8

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Super 8 is super great

Richard Crouse and Mark Breslin agree there's a lot to like about Super 8
Director J.J. Abrams draws out the suspense, with Spielbergian flourishes

Richard Crouse: Mark, J.J. Abrams directs Super 8 the way he produced the TV show Lost. He draws out the suspense, doling out just enough detail, shocks and surprises to keep the story interesting and moving forward. He knows that the strength of the movie isn't the special effects or the whatever-it-is that is causing all the trouble, but the relationship between the kids. Call it Stand By Me with a giant bug... or a monster... or something. I'm not saying what!

Mark Breslin: All true, but you can feel Steven Spielberg's hand guiding the movie all the way along. The suburban flyover state setting, the gentle outsider child protagonists, the deceased parent, the bicycles, the alien who just wants to go home, all Spielberg motifs. And setting it in the early '80s, when Spielberg had his big sci-fi hits, surely was no coincidence.

RC: Perhaps so, but despite the Spielbergian flourishes, this still very much feels like an Abrams creation to me. His fingerprints are all over the action sequences — particularly the out-of-control train wreck scene — and even the sweetness we've come to associate with Spielberg has been dialled back. It's still there — very much so in the film's last 10 minutes — but Abrams manages to set the tone as though he is paying homage to the saccharine tendencies of his mentor than actually aping him.

MB: That train wreck scene had me on the edge of my seat! But the rest of the picture did not exactly exude menace. It's more of a character piece about the young teens, and I thought the kids were great, certainly more interesting than the adults (which may be one of the points of the movie). I liked the picture, and my only real quibble was that the kids' filmmaking, which played such an important part in the beginning of the movie, is dropped midway through the flick. The scenes of those kids making movies were dripping with charm.

RC: I thought so too. Those scenes had a sense of fun to them and established the personalities of all the main kid characters. I think I liked this one more than you. I thought Super 8 was super great.

MB: Well, the middle was a bit soft and I'm always skeptical about courageous 14-year-olds. Still, there's a lot to like in this one.

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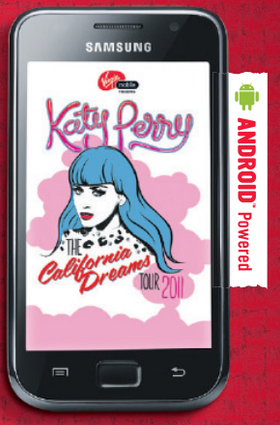

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Judy Moody And The Not A Bummer Summer
Genre: Family
Director: Jordana Beatty, Heather Graham, Parris Mosteller

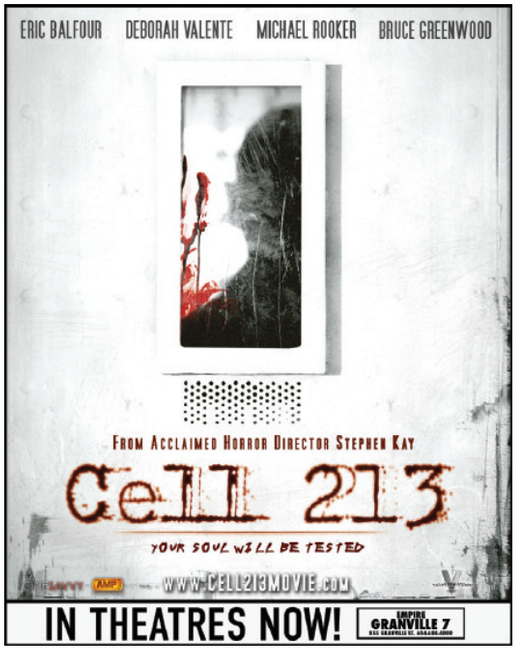
Yet another children's film filled with bright colours, slapstick comedy and performances broad enough for a Christmas pantomime. It's about a young girl who desperately wants to have an exciting summer, but ends up stuck with a strange aunt, a Bigfoot-obsessed brother and no friends. Somehow I've got a feeling that lessons of acceptance and secret excitement are just around the corner. It's all a bit grating, coated in a stink of desperation from filmmakers who are desperately trying to appeal to young audiences they don't understand. If your kids enjoy the book, then the film might be worth a look. Otherwise, stay as far away as possible. PHIL BROWN

Cell 213
Genre: Horror
Director: Stephen Kay
Stars: Eric Balfour, Bruce Greenwood, Michael Rooker

Underrated actor Eric Balfour (Skyline) once again delivers a solid performance in this dark supernatural Canadian shocker and he's supported by a cast of equally reliable thesps like Bruce Greenwood and Michael Rooker. The movie itself isn't nearly as good as its talent, however, filled as it is with jittery post-SAW camera work and hammy plot contrivances. Balfour's hotshot lawyer gets sent upstate unjustly and is soon running afoul of creepy ghosts and creepier clichés (corrupt warden, brutish guard, hulking prison yard rapist). Worth watching for its lead though, and some truly stomach churning gore effects. CHRIS ALEXANDER

Loose Cannons
Genre: Comedy, Art House
Director: Ferzan Ozpetek
Stars: Riccardo Scamarcio

In the Italian rom-com Loose Cannons, Tommaso is upstaged by his brother after he decides to come out of the closet to his stern family. As such, Tommaso struggles with keeping his sexuality secret and running the family business under a homophobic patriarch. The performances are decent enough but the film loses distinction when his overplayed gay pals suddenly arrive. STEVE GOW



Legendary director builds Tree of Life

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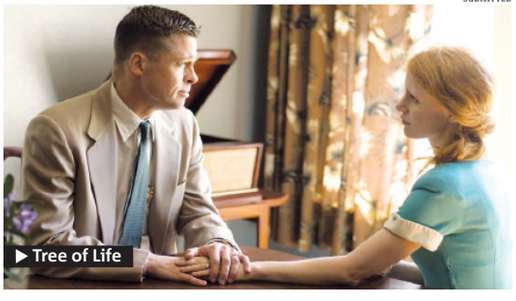
Tree of Life

"Terry has built a house, but he doesn't feel like a real estate agent," joked Brad Pitt at the Palais des festivals in Cannes.

The star of Tree of Life was trying to explain the absence of director Terrence Malick, who didn't attend the film's press conference in the morning, and skipped the red carpet in the evening.

The legendary filmmaker behind Days of Heaven, who won the best director award in Cannes back in 1979, is indeed on the French Riviera. But he feels too shy to confront the cameras and press, who partially booed his new epic.

Tree of Life tells the story of a Texas family in the 1950s. Pitt is the father, newcomer Jessica Chastain is the mother.

They have three sons. One of them dies at the age of 19. The older becomes a respected businessman played by Sean Penn in a few scenes set in the present.

In between, Malick delivers weird visions of the creation of earth and the birth of humanity. We even see two dinosaurs, who seem to have escaped from Jurassic Park.

Pitt is co-producing the movie with his company, Plan B. "There are so many scripts that can't be done and I created this company because I wanted to help things done," he said. JEROME VERMELIN

AP PHOTO/CHRIS PIZZELLO

Mason Lee

Director Ang Lee proud of son's Hangover

Oscar-winning director Ang Lee played an important role in The Hangover Part II — at least off-screen. He is the father of one of the actors.

Lee's younger son, Mason Lee, plays Teddy, the teenager the lead characters trying to rescue as they struggle to piece together what happened during a crazy night in Bangkok.

Ang Lee was clearly a proud dad speaking to reporters after catching a showing with his younger brother and mother earlier this week in Taiwan, his home country.

"My son's performance was quite good," Lee told reporters in footage posted on the website of Taiwanese newspaper Apple Daily. "He is quite a serious actor but this is just a comedy."

Asked by an overeager reporter whether Mason was a future Oscar winner, the elder Lee responded with a smile: "He only has a small role in the movie."

Lee demurred when asked if he would cast Mason in one of his movies. "I don't know. Kids should do whatever they want to do," he said.

The Associated Press didn't touch on Mason Lee's performance in its largely critical review of The Hangover Part II. It gave the sequel one-and-a-half stars out of four, saying it was too much of a rehash of the first installment.

However, the movie has been a big international hit. It was the No. 2 film outside North America behind Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides last weekend. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Up close and personal with Mr. Popper's Penguins

James Tupper stars alongside aquatic actors in movie version of children's book But was more intimidated by Jim Carrey — at first

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James Tupper, the Nova Scotia-born star of Mr. Popper's Penguins, calls his co-stars "ornery."

No, he's not talking about Jim Carrey or Angela Lansbury. He's referring to the movie's aquatic, flightless actors.

"They kind of look like toddlers wearing a tuxedo with their chests sticking out in this really open, sweet way," he says. "But when you get close to them they will give you a nip."

To accommodate the birds, the film's set was kept below zero. "You could see your breath all day long," says Tupper.

As for working with the penguins, he says they're not great actors, but performing opposite the Antarctic imports was less strange than acting without them.

Computer-generated penguins were used for several scenes, which meant Tupper would have to emote to a mark on the wall.

"There would just be a dot on the wall and they would put the penguin in later. Sometimes the director would be back there saying, 'Oh! Oh! I'm going to bite you!' and act stuff out for you to react to but we all got this weird 'acting to the dot' effect."

Tupper, best known for his work on television shows like Men In Trees (where he co-starred with his fiancée Anne Heche) and Grey's Anatomy, says the penguins weren't the set's most intimidating presence. At first anyway.

"It was a little bit intimidating when I first met him," he says of Jim Carrey. "He slapped me on the back and was like, 'Jim or James?' I said, 'You know what. I think you've probably got Jim covered. I'm going to stick with James.'"

That intimidation soon gave way to a lively collaboration.

"He's really fun. It's a playful set. He improvises a lot and generally has the crew chuckling most of the day."

James, however, wasn't the only member of his family impressed with Carrey. His nine-year-old son is also a fan.

"When we read the book Mr. Popper's Penguins to him in bed, he got so excited when he found out Jim Carrey was in it.

He said, 'Can you please get Jim Carrey to sign it?' So I did. I took it to New York and he signed it and I brought it back and I said, 'Would you like me to sign it too?' No! Why! I said, 'Cut me a break. I'm in the movie.'"

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▶ James Tupper

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VANCOUVER

OMNIMAX THEATRE SCIENCE WORLD
1455 Quebec St., 604-443-7443

Hubble (STC) A.M. Fri 11 Sat-Sun 1-3 A.M. Mon-Thu 11
The Ultimate Wave Tahiti (STC) Sat-Sun 2

DUNBAR THEATRE
4555 Dunbar Street, 604-222-2991

Bridesmaids (14A) Fri 7-9:40 Sat-Sun 4-7-9:40 Mon-Thu 7-9:40

FIFTH AVENUE CINEMAS
2110 Burrard Street, 604-734-7469

Breathtaking (STC) Thu 7
Bridesmaids (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:7:10-9:45
The Hangover Part II (18A) Fri-Wed 1:30-4:30-7:30-9:40 Thu 1:30-4:30-9:40
Kung Fu Panda 2 3D (G) Fri-Thu 1:2:55-4:50-6:50-8:50
Midnight in Paris (G) Fri-Thu 1:45-2:15-3:45-4:15-7:7:20-9:10-9:30

GRANVILLE
855 Granville St., 604-684-4000

Cell 213 (STC) Fri 6:50-9:45 Sat-Sun 4:25-6:50-9:45 Mon-Thu 5:25-8:20
Fast Five (14A) Fri 6:45-9:30 Sat-Sun 4-6:45-9:30 Mon-Thu 5:20-8
Hanna (PG) Fri 6:55-9:40 Sat-Sun 4:10-6:55-9:40 Mon-Thu 5:30-8:05
Limitless (PG) Fri 6:40-9:25 Sat-Sun 4:20-6:40-9:25 Mon-Thu 5:50-8:25
Potiche (PG) , Sub-Titled Fri 7-9:35 , Sub-Titled Sat-Sun 4:30-7-9:35 , Sub-Titled Mon-Thu 5:45-8:10
Something Borrowed (PG) Fri 6:35-9:20 Sat-Sun 4:05-6:35-9:20 Mon-Thu 5:35-8:15
Source Code (PG) Fri 6:30-9:15 Sat-Sun 4:15-6:30-9:15 Tue-Thu 5:40-8:30

OAKRIDGE
650 West 41st Ave., 604-263-1944

The Hangover Part II (18A) DTS Digital Fri 7:15-9:45 DTS Digital Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:15-9:45 DTS Digital Mon-Thu 5:30-8:15
Kung Fu Panda 2 (G) DTS Digital Fri 6:45-9:15 DTS Digital Sat-Sun 1:15-4:15-6:45-9:15 DTS Digital Mon-Thu 5:15-7:45
X-Men: First Class (STC) , No Passes Fri 7-10 , No Passes Sat-Sun 1-4-7-10 Mon-Thu 5-8

PACIFIC CINÉMATHÈQUE
1131 Howe Street, 604-688-3456
cinematheque.bc.ca

10 1/2 (STC) Wed 7:30
The African Queen (STC) Fri 6:30 Sat 2-9:05 Sun 6:30 Mon 9:05 Thu 1-6:30
The Makioka Sisters (STC) Fri 8:30 Sat 6:30 Sun 8:30 Mon 6:30 Thu 8:30
No Films Showing Today (STC) Tue

PARK THEATRE
3440 Cambie Street, 604-876-2747

Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides (PG) Fri 4-7-9:45 Sat-Sun 1-4-7-9:45 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:45
The Tree of Life (G) A.M. Sun 10

RIDGE THEATRE
3131 Arbutus Street, 604-738-6311

Super 8 (PG) Fri 4-7-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:30-4-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:30

RIO ON BROADWAY
1660 E. Broadway, 604-878-Film
riotheatre.ca

Grease Sing-Along (STC) Fri 12
Super 8 (PG) Fri 7-9:30 Sat-Sun 2-4:30-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 7-9:30

SCOTIABANK THEATRE VANCOUVER
900 Burrard St., 604-630-1407

Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid (STC) Wed 7
Kung Fu Panda 2 (G) Fri-Sun 11:45-2-4:20-6:40-9:20 Mon 1:30-3:50-10 Tue-Wed 1:30-3:50-6:40-9:20 Thu 1:30-3:50-9:30
Kung Fu Panda 2 3D (G) Fri-Wed 12:20-2:40-5:7:20-9:50 Thu 12:20-2:40-5:7:20-10
The Metropolitan Opera: Le Comte Ory Encore (STC) Mon 6:30
Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides (PG) Fri-Tue 12-3:30-7:10:10 Wed 12-3:30-10:10 Thu 12-3:30-7:10:10
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Super 8 (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-12:50-3:20-4-6:50-7:30-9:40-10:20
Thor 3D (PG) Fri-Tue 1:20-4:40-8-10:40 Wed 1:20-4:40-10:40 Thu 1:20-4:40-8-10:40
X-Men: First Class (STC) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-1:10-3:40-4:30-7:10-7:50-10:30-11 No Passes Mon-Thu 12:30-1:10-3:40-4:30-7:10-7:50-10:30-10:45

VANCITY THEATRE
Vancouver International Film Centre
1181 Seymour Street,
604-683-Film
vifc.org

Badlands (STC) Wed 8:45
Days of Heaven (STC) Sun 8:45
GravyTrain (STC) Thu 8:45
The New World (PG) Tue 8:45
Pocket Money (STC) Thu 7
The Thin Red Line (STC) Sat 8:45
The Time That Remains (PG) Fri 9:05 Sat-Wed 6:30

NORTH SHORE

ESPLANADE 6
200 West Esplanade, 604-983-2762

The Hangover Part II (18A) Fri 7:15-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:10-4-7:15-9:45 Mon-Thu 7:15-9:45
Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides (PG) Fri 6:30-9:35 Sat-Sun 12-3:15-6:30-9:35 Mon-Thu 6:30-9:35
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PARK & TILFORD
333 Brooksbank Ave., 604-985-3911

Bridesmaids (14A) Fri 7:20-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:20-7:20-10:10 Mon-Tue 7:20-10 Wed 6:30-10 Thu 7:20-10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Judy Moody and the NOT Bummer Summer (G) Fri 6:30-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:10-3:30-6:30-9:20 Mon-Thu 6:30-9:20
Kung Fu Panda 2 (G) Fri 6:50-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:40-4-6:50-9:10 Mon-Tue 6:50-9:10 Wed 9:10 Thu 6:50-9:10
Kung Fu Panda 2 3D (G) Fri 7:10-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:30-3:45-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:30
Stephen Sondheim's Company (STC) Wed 7
X-Men: First Class (STC) No Passes Fri 6:40-9:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 1-3:50-6:40-9:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 6:40-9:40 No Passes Fri 7-10 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:20-4:10-7:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 7-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1

RICHMOND

SILVERCITY RIVERPORT
14211 Entertainment Way,
604-272-7280

Bridesmaids (14A) Fri-Thu 11:55-12:35-3:05-3:50-6:55-7:25-9:55-10:25
Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid (STC) Wed 7
Fast Five (14A) Fri-Thu 10:20
The Hangover Part II (18A) Fri-Thu 11:50-12:55-1:45-3:10-4:10-4:45-6:35-7:15-7:45-9:15-10:10-10:40
Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban (PG) Sat 10:30 Mon 7
Judy Moody and the NOT Bummer Summer (G) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:05-7-9:45
Kung Fu Panda 2 (G) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:25-7:05 Mon 1:30-4:25 Tue-Thu 1:30-4:25-7:05 Fri 12:25-3:30-6:15-9 Sat 1:25-3:45-6:15-9 Sun-Tue 12:25-3:30-6:15-9 Wed 12:25-3:30-10:30 Thu 12:25-3:30-6:15-9
Kung Fu Panda 2 3D (G) Fri-Sun 11:40-2:15-5:7:25-10:10 Mon-Thu 1-4-7:30-10
Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides (PG) Fri-Sun 11:30-2:45-6:30-9:50 Mon-Wed 11:50-3-6:30-9:50 Thu 4:20-7:25-10:30 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides 3D (PG) Fri-Wed 12-3:15-7:20-10:45 Thu 12-3:15-6:30-10:45
Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:45-7-10:15
Ready (PG) Fri-Thu 12:05-3:55-8
Super 8 (PG) Fri-Wed 1-4:15-7:30-10:45 Thu 4:15-7:30-10:45 Fri-Thu 12-3:15-6:45-10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
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X-Men: First Class (STC) No Passes Fri-Sun 11:45-12:15-12:45-3-3:30-4-6:40-7:10-7:35-10:05-10:30-11 No Passes Mon-Thu 11:45-12:45-1:15-3-4-4:30-6:40-7:15-7:55-10:05-10:45

BURNABY

DOLPHIN CINEMAS
4555 E. Hastings St., 604-293-0332

The Hangover Part II (18A) Fri 5-7-9 Sat-Sun 1-3-5-7-9 Mon-Thu 5-7-9
Kung Fu Panda 2 (G) Fri 4:30-6:30-8:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-2:30-4:30-6:30-8:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-6:30-8:30

SILVERCITY METROPOLIS
4700 Kingsway Ave., 604-435-7474

Bridesmaids (14A) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:50-10:50 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:50-10:45
Green Lantern 3D (STC) No Passes Thu 12:01
The Hangover Part II (18A) Fri-Sun 1:40-5-8-11 Mon-Thu 1:40-5-8-10:35 Fri-Tue 7:10-9:40 Wed 9:40 Thu 7:10-9:40
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STATION SQUARE
220-6200 McKay Ave., 604-434-7711

Fast Five (14A) Fri 4:15-7:05-10 Sat 1:30-4:15-7:05-10 Sun 1:30-4:15-7:05 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:05
Hanna (PG) Fri 4:40-7:20-9:55 Sat 1:55-4:40-7:20-9:55 Sun 1:55-4:40-7:20 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:20
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Priest (14A) Fri-Sat 7:25-9:35 Sun-Thu 7:25
Rio (G) Fri 4:45 Sat-Sun 2-4:45 Mon-Thu 4:45
Something Borrowed (PG) Fri 4:35-7:15-9:45 Sat 1:50-4:35-7:15-9:45 Sun 1:50-4:35-7:15 Mon-Thu 4:35-7:15
Thor (PG) Fri 4:25-7:10-9:50 Sat 1:40-4:25-7:10-9:50 Sun 1:40-4:25-7:10 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:10
Water for Elephants (PG) Fri 4:20-7:9:40 Sat 1:35-4:20-7:9:40 Sun 1:35-4:20-7 Mon-Thu 4:20-7

NEW WEST/ COQUITLAM

SILVERCITY COQUITLAM
170 Schoolhouse Street, 604-523-2911

Bridesmaids (14A) Fri-Thu 12:40-1:15-3:40-4:30-6:40-7:25-9:50-10:20
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The Metropolitan Opera: Le Comte Ory Encore (STC) Mon 6:30
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X-Men: First Class (STC) No Passes Fri-Sat 11:45-12:45-1:15-3:05-4:05-4:35-6:30-7:30-8-9:40-10:45-11 No Passes Sun-Tue 11:45-12:45-1:15-3:05-4:05-4:35-6:30-7:30-8-9:40-10:45 No Passes Wed 11:45-12:45-3:05-4:05-4:35-6:30-7:30-8-9:40-10:45 No Passes Thu 11:45-12:45-1:15-3:05-4:05-4:35-6:30-7:30-8-9:40-10:45 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:15-3:35-7:10:15 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1

SURREY/WHITE ROCK/LANGLEY

CLOVA
5732-176th St., Surrey, 604-541-9527

Kung Fu Panda 2 (G) Sat-Sun 1:30
Soul Surfer (G) Fri-Thu 9:25
Thor (PG) Fri-Thu 7

HOLLYWOOD 3 CINEMA
7125-138th Street, Surrey,
604-592-4441

Fast Five (14A) Fri 4:30-6:55-9:20 Sat-Sun 2-4:30-6:55-9:20 Mon-Thu 4:30-6:55-9:20
Hoodwinked Too! Hood vs. Evil (G) Sat-Sun 12:45
Hop (G) Sat-Sun 12:45
Priest (14A) Fri-Thu 8:45
Rio (G) Fri 6:45 Sat-Sun 12:45-2:45-6:45 Mon-Thu 6:45
Something Borrowed (PG) Fri-Thu 4:45
Soul Surfer (G) Fri-Thu 4:45
Thor (PG) Fri 6:55-9:05 Sat-Sun 2:30-6:55-9:05 Mon-Thu 6:55-9:05

STRAWBERRY HILL GRANDE
12161-72nd Ave, Surrey, 604-501-9400

Bridesmaids (14A) Fri-Sun 12:15-3:15-6:20-9:20 Mon-Thu 12:20-3:15-6:20-9:20
The Hangover Part II (18A) Fri-Thu 12:45-1:40-3:40-4:30-6:50-7:50-9:30-10:40
Judy Moody and the NOT Bummer Summer (G) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:5-20-7:40-10:15
Kung Fu Panda 2 (G) Fri-Tue 1:15-4 Wed 4 Thu 1:15-4 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
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STUDIO 12 GUILDFORD
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Kings paying tribute to Queens

Blackie & the Rodeo Kings get guests Emmylou Harris, Lucinda Williams on new CD

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▶ Members of the band Blackie and the Rodeo Kings, from left, Stephen Fearing, Colin Linden and Tom Wilson.

Back in 1996, Tom Wilson recorded what he figured was a one-off project with Colin Linden and Stephen Fearing under the band name Blackie and the Rodeo Kings.

Wilson didn't think about it much. The group had been assembled to pay tribute to the late Canadian folk troubadour Willie P. Bennett, so it was a lark, a fun diversion. Wilson didn't even wait until the album was finished to leave and embark on his next project.

"We thought we were recording a record and that was it," Wilson said in a recent interview at a stylish Italian restaurant in Toronto.

"I said, 'It was great to meet you, Stephen.' Colin, I've known since our teens but never worked with him. I shook hands, and that was it. 'OK, good. Next' — that was what I thought.

"I was wrong."

Yes, 15 years later and Blackie and the Rodeo Kings are still riding along together, now set to issue another new album, Kings and Queens — the culmination of three years work and the group's first set of all-new material since the sessions that produced 2006's Juno-winning Let's Frolic and the '07 follow-up Let's Frolic Again.

The concept behind the new album was essentially to pair the roots-rock group's three unique voices with an all-star roster of female singers, including Lucinda Williams, Emmylou Harris, Exene Cervenka and Roseanne Cash. Linden jetted around North America — to Nashville, New Orleans, New York, Los Angeles and even Woodstock, N.Y. — with his computer to record the Queens.

And the trio now has glowing praise for each of the women featured on the album.

Sara Watkins was "really great." Serena Ryder, who sang on driving closer Black Sheep, was a "real powerhouse." And Cervenka? Well, Wilson was so enthusiastic about her performance he could only sum it up with an unprintable obscenity.

Mostly, though, the band raved about how their own vocals improved because of the presence of their 14 guests.

"We sang better," Wilson said.

"The same way that we're better men — better people — for the women that have surrounded our lives either on a long-term basis or a short-term basis, the same thing happened musically.

"We're better singers, better people."

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Surprise on tour?

The band says it's altogether possible that some of their guests from their new album could hop onstage with the group while on tour. They also raised the possibility that some female vocalists who weren't on the album might also be up for a duet.

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SOUND CHECK

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All throughout history, an established technology never had a chance if something more convenient came along. Just look at what we've seen with music over the last 140 years or so.

Cylinders vs. Rotating Discs
Thomas Edison's phonograph with its rotating wax or metal cylinders established that sound could be captured.

But then Emile Berliner showed that rotating flat discs played on his gramophone were far superior. Why? Better sound and because discs had a B-side — twice as much music for the same price.

Edison had no choice but to move from cylinder to disc.

Phonographs vs. Gramophones
The phonograph tracked grooves in the record by going up and down.

The gramophone's needle went from side-to-side.

This meant that phonograph records couldn't be played on gramophones and vice-versa, forcing consumers to take sides.

While it's true that Edison's machine delivered slightly better sound, the up-and-down motion of the steel needle wore out the record more quickly.

Undeterred by this minor issue, Edison stuck to his guns and refused to make any changes to his machine.

Ultimately, though, the gramophone won out and Edison stopped making phonographs and records entirely by about 1930.

78s vs. LPs
By the 1930s, the standard rotation rate for discs was 78 RPM, which meant that each record could store only about four minutes per side. Columbia Records changed that in 1948 with the introduction of the vinyl 33 ⅓ RPM LP (Long-Playing), a format that could store up to 22 minutes per side. From that moment, the 78 was doomed.

LPs vs. 45s
Although Columbia offered to license their new technology to rival RCA, they would have none of it. Instead, they countered with the vinyl 45 RPM 7-inch single in 1949. RCA contended that four or five minutes of music per side was all consumers really wanted. But if they did want more, they could simply stack 45s for continuous play on the large spindle of the brand new automatic RCA-manufactured record changer. (This is why the hole at the centre of a 45 is so big; the larger diameter was necessary to let the record slide down the spindle without prematurely fraying the area around hole.)

Next week
The Streaming Wars.

'Peg writer offers up witchy new novel

One of Susie Moloney's earlier books commissioned by Tom Cruise's production company ◗ Public appetite for supernatural fuelled by Twilight

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▶ Author Susie Moloney

Susie Moloney experienced the thrill of fright at a very young age.

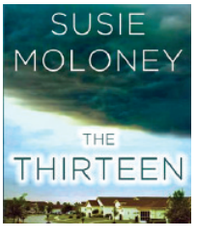
"My mother was a huge horror fan," explains the Winnipeg author, whose latest horror-tinged novel, The Thirteen, hit stores this week. "She would get scared watching scary movies late at night and she'd come wake us up to keep her company."

Moloney and her brother obliged. And although the author claims to have slept with her head under the covers ever since, terror clearly titillates her.

"It's like anything else that gets the adrenalin going, you know? It's like falling in love, it's like having a damn fine laugh."

All of Moloney's books have delved into otherworldliness, from her chilling 1995 debut Bastion Falls to 1997's supernatural drought story A Dry Spell and 2003's haunted house tale The Dwelling.

The Thirteen marks her first foray into the world of witches. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Strange sisters

The Thirteen tells the story of a down-on-her-luck waitress.

▶ She encounters a strange group of women who are oddly anxious for her to join their circle.

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▶ Neil Patrick Harris

Harris to host Tony Awards

HE'S COME A LONG WAY SINCE DOOGIE HOWSER. This Sunday's Tony Awards are once again being hosted by Broadway vet and How I Met Your Mother star Neil Patrick Harris.

Invitation to a Gypsy wedding

ROMA ROMANCE . Friday's episode of the surprise reality hit My Big Fat Gypsy Wedding follows two teenage girls preparing for their wedding day. Some say the UK-import offers a fascinating new look at a culture that's misunderstood, while others believe the show simply feeds into stereotypes. (TLC)

Blowing the cat lady out of the water

SHE GETS MY GOAT. Continuing on the esoteric reality theme on Friday night is Confessions: Animal Hoarding. A woman faces losing her house as the costs of tending to her herd of goats and pit bulls mount. (Animal Planet)

Aguilera plays aspiring singer

DANCE DIVAS. Burlesque the musical starring Christina Aguilera and Cher, premieres Saturday on TMN.

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Inspirational teacher made Glee star succeed

NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

▶ Morrison will be the opening act for the concert tour with the New Kids on the Block and Backstreet Boys, which kicks off its Canadian leg July 9 in Vancouver.

Matthew Morrison releases self-titled debut album, set to tour

Turns out Glee star Matthew Morrison had his own Mr. Schue.

The curly-haired performer, who plays ultra-upbeat glee club instructor Will Schuester on the hit musical TV series, credits one high school teacher with helping him get where he is today.

"I was kind of like (the character) Finn on Glee," said Morrison, who recently released his self-titled debut album and will tour Canada this summer with the New Kids on the Block and Backstreet Boys.

"I kind of rode the line between arts and athletics. I was a huge soccer player, and my junior year of high school I had to choose between playing soccer and being in the arts. And one teacher, especially, his name is Dr. Ralph Opacic, he said: 'I've been at this awhile and you have something really special and I think you just need to continue down this road.'

"And that was the talk that changed my life. He was totally my Mr. Schue."

"As an actor you can't get settled. I don't want to get settled into Glee."
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Arnold willing to beg to get Shriver back

Schwarzenegger telling friends he'll do anything to get Maria back

Despite the shocking disclosure that he fathered a child with their housekeeper and kept it secret for 13 years, Arnold Schwarzenegger is reportedly still hoping he and Maria Shriver can patch things up and avoid divorce, according to Popeater.

"He knows he has made terrible mistakes in his past but isn't prepared to lose the greatest woman in his life," a source close to the former California governor says. "This has nothing to do with money or the children. He misses her terribly and will do whatever it takes to win her back. Even begging."

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▶ Arnold Schwarzenegger

"This has nothing to do with money or the children. He misses her terribly and will do whatever it takes to win her back. Even begging"
SOURCE

Schwarzenegger and Shriver have even reportedly been in regular contact since the separation, and the source adds that Schwarzenegger is hoping Shriver will realize that "despite all the affairs, what they had was real."

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Talking points

This Catwoman has claws

DON'T CROSS HER PATH

Anne Hathaway obviously doesn't find action work daunting, as a stuntman on the Dark Knight Rises learned when the actress — who is playing Catwoman in the film — accidentally gave him a black eye, according to the Sun.

"Anne got a bit carried away during a fight scene and mistakenly shoved the butt of the gun right into the actor's eye socket," a source says. "He came away with a massive black eye — Anne was mortified."

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Celebrity tweets

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doing some soul searching today...

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Ok don't know quite how my tweets r a challenge??? But Challenges rock! 'U want some cheese with that whine' U babies ?

Colfer taking advantage of fame

At 21-years-old, Chris Colfer is already an award-winning actor for his work on Glee, but what he really wants to do is write.

Colfer recently signed a two-book deal with Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, according to the Hollywood Reporter, with the first title, the Land of Stories, set to be released next summer.

"When I was 10 years old, I promised myself that if I ever had the opportunity to write this book, I would jump at the chance," Colfer said in a statement.

"This book has been at the core of my imagination for a long time and I'm excited and nervous to share it."

Colfer is also currently writing a TV pilot for Disney and an independent feature film.

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CHRIS COLFER

▶ Chris Colfer

Clooney not exactly keen on marriage

While George Clooney may have made it pretty clear he's happy to avoid getting married ever again, his girlfriend, Elisabetta Canalis, is singing a different tune. "I am a firm believer in marriage, in the future I will be married, but for the time being I am happy as I am," she tells Italian magazine Chi.

"They all say that I spend my time organizing parties and that my boyfriend does not want to marry me and be with me anymore. My boyfriend has not given an interview on his private life since 1999 — everything that you read is just a rehash of stuff that has been written in the past." METRO

▶ George Clooney

Revisiting a classic taste

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How many wines are there in the world? I get asked that question all the time. The funny thing is, I don't really know.

If you take a stab at counting grape varieties (the realistic estimate is somewhere around 10,000) and multiply by worldwide wineries and all their individual brands and available vintages, you're easily talking millions.

That's why when you write about wine it's easy to get caught up in what's new and shiny and forget about the established juice that's been on the shelf for awhile.

I thought about that when I recently tried the stalwart Wolf Blass Eagle Hawk Shiraz ($13.00 - $13.99).

I was at a local resto, which had a limited wine list and took the waiter's suggestion of the 2009 vintage when I asked for his best all-purpose red.

I do love how my preconceived notions of a wine can get the better of me and really got into how its dry-blackberry-meets-sweet-blueberry fruit and lingering trail of inky, black licorice spice tasted so ...hip.

It's a perfect back deck red that would match with a nice piece of grilled beef as well as it would barbecued hamburgers or some lightly spicy sausages.

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Have a field day with strawberries

After a long winter, it's almost time for growers to start picking everyone's favourite summer fruit • Use strawberries in unique recipes

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▶ Strawberries can be employed in salads and also pair well with cheese.

Bright red and luscious, fresh locally grown strawberries are a treat that Canadians eagerly anticipate after a long winter.

And the wait won't be much longer. Pickers are poised to harvest the juicy morsels.

Cold, wet weather in many parts of the country has delayed the crop, but in Ontario and British Columbia, anxious growers will soon be getting their fruit to the stores and farmers markets.

Strawberry-Topped Brie

This colourful warm cheese makes a great party dish served with thin slices of baguette.

Preparation:

1. With a sharp knife, remove the top rind from the brie cheese.
2. Place cheese in ovenproof dish slightly bigger cheese. If using liqueur, pour over top. Sprinkle with brown sugar.
3. Arrange strawberries, stem side down, on the cheese to cover top. Drizzle with syrup and sprinkle with nuts.
4. Place the dish on the unlit side of barbecue on medium heat. Close lid of barbecue and grill for about 15 minutes or until cheese is soft and starts to ooze over edge.

Curried Chicken & Strawberry Salad

This is the perfect use for leftover chicken.

The strawberries come through as a refreshing accent in the salad. Since curry powders differ in strength and heat, taste after adding half the amount to get just a hint of curry.

If you don't have cooked chicken on hand, 4 boneless skinless chicken breasts, grilled or poached, will give you the amount you need.

Preparation:

1. In a small bowl, whisk together mayonnaise, sour cream, lime rind, lime juice, honey, curry powder, salt and pepper.
2. In a bowl, stir together chicken, celery and onions; pour dressing over top and toss lightly to mix. **THE CANADIAN PRESS/ FOODLAND ONTARIO**

Shopping list:

Salad

- 125 ml (1/2 cup) each mayo, low-fat sour cream
- 5 ml (1 tsp) grated lime rind
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) lime juice
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) honey
- 10 ml (2 tsp) curry powder
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1 l (4 cups) diced cooked chicken
- 250 ml (1 cup) diced celery
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) sliced green onions
- 500 ml (2 cups) strawberries, hulled and halved
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) pecan halves, toasted, divided
- Lettuce leaves

Brie

- 500 g (1 lb) round of brie
- 10 ml (2 tsp) Amaretto or Frangelico liqueur (optional)
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) packed brown sugar
- 250 ml (1 cup) strawberries, hulled
- 25 ml (2 tbsp) maple syrup
- 25 ml (2 tbsp) almonds

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▶ Canucks goalie Roberto Luongo looks at a poster of the Stanley Cup at Rogers Arena yesterday.

Best-of-three for Stanley

It's been a tale of two cities for the Canucks thus far in the Stanley Cup final. In Vancouver, the Canucks outplayed the Bruins in five-of-six periods and a brief overtime even though the margin of victory was a single goal in each game.

Different story in Boston, where the home side dominated every aspect of each game en route to outscoring the Canucks 12-1 in two lopsided victories.

The blowouts are eerily reminiscent of consecutive losses to the Blackhawks in Round 1, in which the Canucks were outscored 12-2. Both mid-round meltdowns came on the heels of controversial hits, one by Raffi Torres, the most recent by Aaron Rome.

Did the hits awaken a slumbering opponent? Have the Canucks become hesitant to make borderline hits as a result of an extremely harsh suspension for a teammate?

Whatever the theory, this series has shifted dramatically over the past five periods.

Roberto Luongo is expected to start in goal tonight, although many are wondering aloud whether Alain Vigneault might turn to Cory Schneider. Schneider's lone start of the playoffs came after the two Chicago shellackings, despite the fact Vigneault publicly stated he would stick with Luongo leading up to that game.

Though the Vancouver bandwagon has lost a few members this week, recent history suggests that Rogers Arena may be the tonic the Canucks need to get back on track. Home teams have won 15 of the last 17 Stanley Cup games over the past three finals, and every series since 2009 has seen the home team win the first five games.

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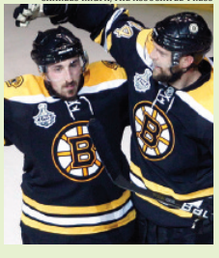

Middle men

The Canucks have started each game well only to be overwhelmed by the Bruins in the second period. Boston has scored in the middle frame in all but Game 1, while Vancouver has yet to answer back. The Bruins have outscored the Canucks 7-0 in second periods through four games of the Stanley Cup final.

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Shutdown defencemen

Defensive scoring had been an important component of Vancouver's playoff success, but the Canucks' blue-liners have yet to score in this series. The Canucks entered the final with a playoff-leading 14 goals from defencemen, scoring four times against Chicago, twice more versus Nashville and a whopping eight times in the San Jose series.

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Top stopper

Tim Thomas is in position to set an all-time playoff goaltending record whether the Bruins win the Stanley Cup or not. Thomas made 38 saves in his Game 4 shutout, raising his playoff total to 701 saves. Only former Canucks keeper Kirk McLean stopped more pucks in one post-season, turning aside 761 in Vancouver's 1994 run.

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Man disadvantage

Vancouver's vaunted power play is mired in its worst slump of the entire season. The Canucks have scored just one goal in 22 chances (4.5%) against the Bruins after entering the final with a conversion rate of 28.3% in the playoffs. The Canucks suffered through a 1-for-17 stretch earlier this post-season and a 1-for-20 skid during the regular season.

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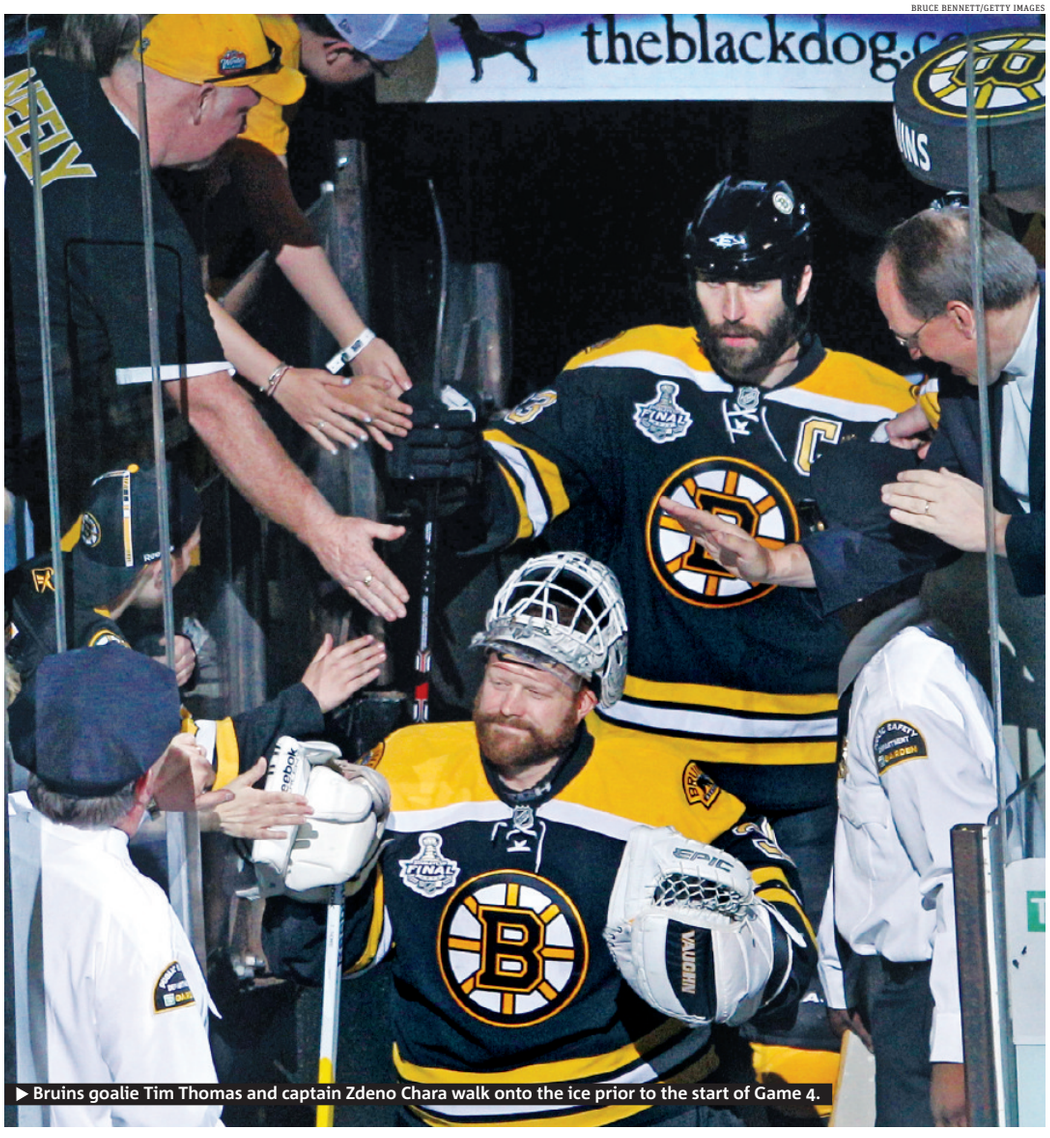

▶ Bruins goalie Tim Thomas and captain Zdeno Chara walk onto the ice prior to the start of Game 4.

Blue-collar Bruins

Boston embraces a lunch-bucket approach to winning hockey games

There isn't a lot fancy about the Boston Bruins, and that's just how they like it.

The Bruins are bringing a blue-collar mentality to the Stanley Cup final, and the lunch-bucket approach has the Vancouver Canucks reeling after a pair of lopsided losses at the TD Garden.

Boston's work ethic was evident as early as the series opener, when the Bruins lost 1-0 in the last minute of regulation play and continued through an overtime defeat in Game 2.

But when the series shifted to Boston, the Bruins turned it up a notch and frustrated the Canucks en route to 8-1 and 4-0 routs.

146
Bruins goalie Tim Thomas has stopped all but five of 146 shots this series.

"We don't have the most skilled team in the world," agitator Brad Marchand said Thursday as the teams returned to Vancouver tied 2-2 in the best-of-seven final.

"We know that so we just want to keep it simple and work hard."

Marchand clinched the wins in Boston by scoring the third goal of each game, both on backhand shots after Canuck turnovers.

"We're from a blue-collar town and we've got a lot of blue-collar players on our team," Marchand said. "We just like to work hard."

This is a group that passes around a vintage team jacket — something a beer-league hockey player might wear all week to his construction job — to the club's MVP after games.

"It seems to please everybody in that area, including ourselves, the way we have to go out there and play every night," coach Claude Julien said of the blue-collar label.

"We take pride in it."

Centre Patrice Bergeron, who has assists in the last three games among his 18 playoff points, said the Bruins have also shown skill this post-season but relish a grinding game.

"That's us, that's the way we play," Bergeron said.

"But that doesn't mean we don't have talent, because we're here. We have to make sure we rely on both things, but we need to work so we can win some games." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Canucks must live or die by Luongo

THE HOCKEY NEWS

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Goalie controversy? What goalie controversy?

OK, so Roberto Luongo's 16-save effort in a little more than two periods of play in Game 4 wasn't his best showing, and Boston's Tim Thomas has clearly been the better and more consistent goalie in the Stanley Cup final so far, but any notion Cory Schneider should start Game 5, 6 or 7 should be smothered and eliminated like the production of the Sedin twins in Massachusetts.

Back in Round 1, Schneider was given the nod in Game 6 against Chicago. That was a move I supported and actually called for a day earlier in a column on THN.com. But the two scenarios are much different. You never want to risk or hand over a game in the playoffs, but the Canucks had a 3-2 series lead the last time they started Schneider and had a little room for potential error. Locked in a 2-2 series heading home in the Stanley Cup final, Vancouver has zero wiggle room for an experiment.

No, at this point in the season and in the situation they find themselves, the Canucks must live or die by their Vezina finalist. You have to think Luongo will come on strong in Game 5 because he's been good at home through the playoffs, so you can't take that pivotal game out of his hands. And the line of thinking that places Schneider ahead of Luongo in terms of effectiveness is only a theory and one that cannot be tested at this juncture.

If Schneider became the starter and lost, the summer would be filled with second-guessing. If Schneider became the starter and won, now you're stuck with a goalie conundrum and an unsettling combo of a netminder with a long-term contract and a youngster with a reason to think he should be No. 1. And how supportive would the fans be of Luongo if Schneider wins the cup, but "Bobby Lou" is back between the pipes in Game 1 of the 2011-12 season?

Starting Schneider would be nothing more than an experiment with a plethora of possible negative outcomes and reverberations. Canucks fans should cheer and support Luongo when he inevitably starts Game 5 and not serenade him in any fashion. Not now. Step up and support the players who got you here and quit turning your back at the first sign of adversity. Luongo is the guy to go with, for better or worse.

To anyone blaming Luongo for this two-game fiasco, your anger is misguided. How can you blame a goalie for back-to-back losses when your offensive juggernaut team manages one goal and puts up a half-hearted effort?

This is a team problem the best of the best overcome. This is not a goalie controversy.

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▶ The Canucks should stick with Roberto Luongo, says Rory Boylen.

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▶ Boston's Milan Lucic celebrates a goal in Game 4.

Canucks face a test of character

Back-to-back losses have team on the ropes, but coach believes it can regain winning form in Game 5

During the best regular season in franchise history, the Vancouver Canucks often spoke about the team's composure and resiliency.

What the Canucks must do in their game Friday against the Boston Bruins is show they have the character and internal fortitude to regain control of a Stanley Cup final they once looked to have comfortably in their grasp.

The Canucks staggered back to Vancouver on Thursday, bruised and battered after being blown out in two games at TD Garden in Boston. The 2-0 lead Vancouver had in the series is now a 2-2 tie. The Canucks were beaten by a combined score of 12-1, and looked like a team coming apart at the seams.

Vancouver must win Game 5 to avoid falling behind 3-2 in the best-of-seven cup final. Vancouver has not trailed in a series during these playoffs.

Goaltender Roberto Luongo said instead of dwelling on the mistakes of the last two games, the Canucks need to concentrate on what has gotten them this far.

"We're not happy with the way we played the last two games," said Luongo, one of four players the Canucks made available for interviews at Rogers Arena. "We're all pretty upset with ourselves and our performances.

"At the end of the day, we're two wins away from reaching the ultimate goal. I don't think it's time for us to be putting our heads down or not to have any confidence. We're close and we want to make sure that we all bring our A game."

"Roberto is the guy. He's my guy and he's playing. It's that simple."
COACH ALAIN VIGNEAULT, MAKING IT CLEAR LUONGO WILL START GAME 5

For the first time in the playoffs, all of the best Canuck players are struggling.

Daniel Sedin, who led the league in scoring this season and is a MVP finalist, has just one goal and an assist in four games against Boston. Twin brother Henrik has no points, just two shots on net, and is a minus-3.

Hard-nosed centre Ryan Kesler, once was considered a Conn Smythe candidate, is hobbled by an apparent lower-body injury. He has one assist in four games. Alex Burrows was the overtime hero in Game 2, but all his points came in that one game.

Coach Alain Vigneault knows these players are the engine that drives Vancouver.

"If we've gotten to where we are today, it's because our top players have been, on most nights, the best players on the ice," said Vigneault.

"We need those guys to play up to their standards, and they will.

"We have faced adversity throughout the season in many shapes and forms. We're a very good team. We've proved it in the past and we're going to prove it tomorrow night."

Luongo remains a lightning rod for criticism in what could be a defining moment in his career. Fans watching Game 4 on the scoreboard at Rogers Arena cheered when backup Cory Schneider replaced him during the third period.

The Canucks didn't overpower the Bruins in winning the first two games of the series, but they were overwhelmed in losing the next two.

The Bruins dictated the play and pushed the Canucks around like schoolyard bullies. Boston was the more aggressive team, capitalized on some good bounces and refused to take its foot off the gas pedal.

Vancouver has never been a physical team. The Canucks rely on their power play to punish teams. But so far in the final, Vancouver is a laughable 1-for-22 with the man advantage.

Vigneault can't believe a power play that led the league this season will disappear in the final.

"I've got a lot of trust and faith in these guys," he said. "These guys have done it all year for us, and they're going to do it again."

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NBA. Final

▶ Dallas's Dirk Nowitzki passes through Mike Miller and Udonis Haslem of the Heat in Game 4.

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Mavs a win away from NBA title

Dirk Nowitzki and the Dallas Mavericks finally have the lead in this ultra-close NBA final, and now it really is "now or never" for LeBron James and the Miami Heat. Nowitzki scored 29 points and the go-ahead dunk with 2:45 remaining as the Mavericks beat the Heat 112-103 on Thursday night to take a 3-2 lead in the NBA final. James, who called this game "now or never," responded after his worst playoff performance with 17 points, 10 rebounds and 10 assists, and Dwyane Wade battled through a sore left hip to finish with 23 points. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A craving for Cascadia Cup

- **Whitecaps reignite rivalry with Sounders**
- **500 Vancouver fans crossing the border to Seattle**

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As far as Whitecaps, Sounders and Timbers fans are concerned, the Cascadia Cup is the Holy Grail.

Created in 2004, the trophy was established by the supporters' clubs of all three teams to pay homage to North America's oldest and fiercest soccer rivalry, which dates back to the 1970s.

That rivalry was rekindled at the highest level this year when both Vancouver and Portland joined Seattle in Major League Soccer.

And while the Whitecaps season hasn't gone according to plan (with a poor 1-6-7 record), a win against their nemesis in Seattle Saturday would go a long way.

"It would erase a lot of bad memories. I'll take a victory over Seattle or Portland any day," said John Knox, the president of the Vancouver Southsiders supporters' group. "It's a massively important rivalry for the supporters. It's got a rich history and now that it's at the highest level, it will get the attention it deserves."

Five hundred Whitecaps fans will be making the trip across the border, where more than 35,000 Sounders fans at Qwest Field will greet them.

The Emerald City Supporters, Seattle's biggest supporters' group, will be out in full force — as they always are.

"People are excited," said ECS organizer Greg Mockos. "The rivalry with the Whitecaps has always been a competitive one on the pitch."

But becoming the ruler of Cascadia takes more than a team effort.

The Southsiders, ECS and Timbers Army are also competing off the pitch.

"It's more than results," said Mockos. "It's about which group has the most teeth, who is the loudest, which group creates the best atmosphere, who has the most fans."

And for the first time in decades, it's not just the fans paying attention.

The reborn rivalry has garnered coverage from Sports Illustrated and the New York Times and was featured on the FIFA website.

Canada will get a taste of the action with the evening match televised on TSN2.

Stay tuned, said Knox.

"We're onto something special here," he said.

With the Sounders and Timbers drawing 1-1 May 15 in Seattle, a win would put the struggling Whitecaps in pole position for the most contested trophy in the league.

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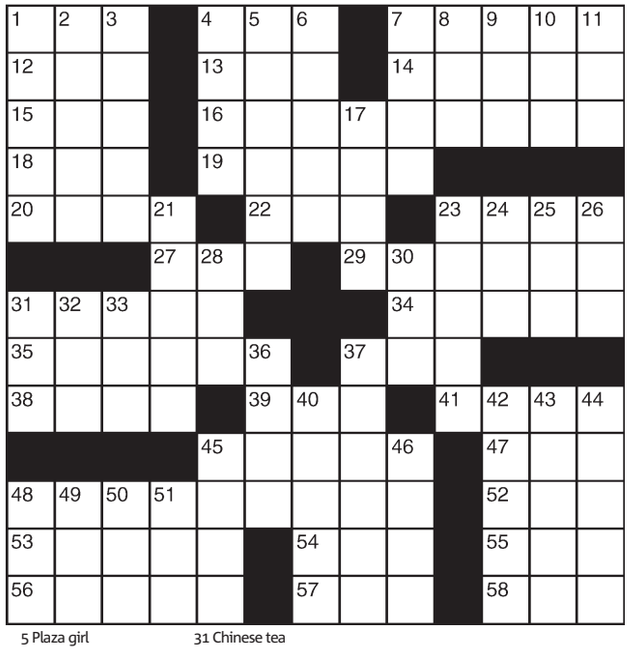

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20 Emoticon with a semicolon
22 Away from NNW
23 Mafia boss
27 First lady
29 Short-necked bottle
31 Burrito ingredient
34 Run off to wed
35 Apollo Theater's neighborhood
37 Chesapeake, e.g.
38 Vacationing
39 College URL ending
41 Picture of health?
45 Heart line
47 Mound stat
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53 Excessive
54 Architect I.M. —
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56 Twelve
57 Compass point suffix
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1 Pitched
2 Muslim nymph
3 45-Down's nation
4 Won't shut up
5 Plaza girl
6 Begins
7 Automaker Ransom Eli —
8 Apiece
9 Id counterpart
10 Carnival city
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21 Shade of green
23 Sepals, collectively
24 In olden days
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26 Inseparable
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♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 It may seem things aren't going your way. Hang in there and expect your luck to change soon — it will.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 If you give in too easily your enemies will take it as a sign of weakness.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 It may seem as if partners and work colleagues have got it in for you or is it you who is overreacting?

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 If you accept each and every social invitation that comes your way, you will quickly exhaust yourself.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Don't take what others tell you too seriously today. You don't need flattery, you need the truth.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 If you are bored with your social scene then do something about it.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 You cannot see the whole picture concerning a money matter, so don't make a snap decision about it.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Let someone you care for know how much they mean to you.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Don't worry if a rival pulls ahead of you. Underhanded methods will come back to haunt him or her.

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